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PRESS RELEASE

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## Alton Road Construction Targeted to End this Year

- Miami Beach Officials Urge State Leaders to Move Faster -

**Miami Beach, FL** – The completion date for the Florida Department of Transportation's Alton Road construction project has been fast-tracked to December 31, 2014, seven months ahead of schedule.

Last week, Miami Beach Mayor Philip Levine and City Manager Jimmy Morales traveled to Tallahassee to meet with Governor Rick Scott and State of Florida Secretaries of Transportation and Environmental Protection to explore ways to expedite construction on Alton Road.

"I am thankful to all of our state partners who have worked so diligently in speeding up construction along one of Miami Beach's major arteries for our residents, business and visitors," said Miami Beach Mayor Philip Levine.

As a result of the visit, the Alton Road construction project will be accelerated. The completed project will alleviate traffic congestion and street flooding with the installation of three new pump stations. Additionally, the City of Miami Beach will be strategically installing over 30 pump stations throughout Miami Beach to reduce flooding.

On February 12, 2014, Miami Beach City Commission passed a resolution approving all options including extending the hours of construction activities to expedite the project.

In an effort to improve access during construction, the City of Miami Beach launched a free trolley service last month that operates from Fifth Street to Lincoln Road, along Alton Road and West Avenue, with 21 stops along the way. Trolleys service runs approximately every 10 minutes from 8 a.m. to midnight, Monday through Sunday. The

city also	negotiated	free, f	our l	hour	parking	at the	Fifth	& .	Alton	Garage	with	the	use	of a	a
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For more information on the Alton Road Project, visit www.fdotmiami.com.

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